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## NOTICES

*Problems of Empire.* Papers and Addresses by the HON. T. A. BRASSEY.  
London: Arthur L. Humphreys, 1906. 8vo, pp. x+218.

A popular edition of the author's papers and addresses first published in book form some two years ago. The chief economic interest lies in the discussion of imperial preference and tariff reform. The author, who "preached preferential trade within the empire some years before Mr. Chamberlain," is a staunch imperialist, whose writings have commanded the respect of Englishmen irrespective of party affiliations.

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*The Development of Western Civilization: A Study in Ethical, Economic, and Political Evolution.* By J. DORSEY FORREST. Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 1907. 8vo, pp. xii+406.

As the scope of Professor Forrest's study of western civilization is wide, extending over the whole field of European social history, and as the point of view of the author is rather that of the social philosopher presenting an analysis of that history "on the basis of their ethical, economic, or political values," than that of the economist, comparatively little space is devoted to purely economic discussion. The author's originality lies rather in his analysis of social evolution than in the uncovering of new historical material. One chapter is devoted to the "Development of Commerce," including an account of the rise of the towns, the guilds and commercial leagues of the Middle Ages. Other topics of economic interest are the economics of the church and the industrial revolution.

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*The Spirit of American Government: A Study of the Constitution: Its Origin, Influence and Relation to Democracy.* By J. ALLEN SMITH. New York: The Macmillan Co., 1907. 8vo, pp. xv+409.

This last volume in the "Citizen's Library of Economics, Politics, and Sociology" is mainly a discussion of those constitutional checks upon the free rule of the majority in our political organization to which the author attributes many of the evils and much of the corruption ordinarily associated with democracy itself. The spirit of the Constitution is stated to be inherently undemocratic, since it places obstacles in the way of majority rule. Operating under these limitations universal suffrage does not insure majority rule, which is conceived to be an essential condition of pure democracy. While the author devotes himself mainly to consideration of our political organization, certain sections are given up to a discussion of such economic problems as are involved in government regulation of industry, municipal ownership, and labor legislation. The conservative policy of the Supreme Court is regarded as one factor in the corruption of state governments.

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*The Politics of Utility: The Technology of Happiness Applied.* Being Book III of the "Economy of Happiness." By JAMES MACKAYE. Boston: Little, Brown & Co., 1906. 8vo, pp. xxi+179.

*The Politics of Utility* is an arraignment of the capitalistic system of industry on the ground that it does not insure an excess of happiness over unhappiness. The author proposes a modified socialistic programme of public ownership of the means of production, and naively suggests the purchase by the government of the means of production, through the issuing of non-transferable, non-inheritable, low-interest-bearing bonds, or of bonds upon which the rate of interest shall be gradually diminished through a period of thirty years. This is not regarded by the author as being confiscation of property. "The means of

production could," he believes, thus, "be gradually restored to the community which created them without any violent disturbance of private interests," and a system of "pantocracy"—which would appear to be a régime of socialism—established, which should insure universal happiness.

*Transactions of the National Association of Cotton Manufacturers.* Semi-Annual Meeting, September 12 and 13, 1906. Boston: Office of the Association, 1907. Pp. 352.

The papers presented at this meeting of the Association of Cotton Manufacturers include a discussion of "The Recent Progress of Textile Education in the United States," "The Handling and Marketing of Cotton by the Growers," "The Outlook for the Cotton Grower," "Egyptian Cotton," "Child Labor in the Textile Factory," together with several discussions of technical processes and improved methods of manufacture.

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